

## CITIZENS OPPOSE SCHOOL CHANGE

Three Speakers Denounce Commissioners' Plan Before Congress Heights Body.

## WILL HEAR ARGUMENTS

Improvement Association Plans Special Meeting to Listen to New-Plan and Blair.

The plan of the District Commissioners to abolish the present Board of Education and assume complete control of the school system was opposed by speakers at a meeting of the Public Improvement Association of Congress Heights last night in the Town Hall on Alabama avenue, Congress Heights. The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing the proposed plan and the speakers expressed their opposition to the plan.

All of the speakers expressed the opinion that the Commissioners have not done as much work as they can to improve the school system. Among the speakers were W. W. Price, president of the association; E. Newcomb, and A. E. McKay. It was decided to hold a special meeting on the night of Monday, January 24, in Congress Heights Public School to take definite action with respect to the proposed plan. The meeting will be held at 8 o'clock and the speakers will be W. W. Price, president of the association; E. Newcomb, and A. E. McKay.

A resolution was adopted supporting the recommendations of Supt. White, of the government hospital, of the Insane, that the name of the institution be changed to merely Government Hospital, and urging the erection of a new fence by the institution along the east side of Nicholas avenue.

A special committee composed of E. J. Stebbins, L. D. Weeks and W. W. James was appointed to urge the reopening of the south gate in the west wall of the Government Hospital. The association says the closing of this gate has diverted considerable trade from Congress Heights.

A resolution was adopted urging more policemen for the suburb. It was pointed out that there are only one or two policemen to patrol and that frequently they are detailed elsewhere.

## Sue Bakers for \$55,000.

The General Baking Company was named defendant in three suits for damages filed in the District Supreme Court yesterday for amounts aggregating \$55,000 by Cora, Gladia and John H. Purke. The suits are for damages alleged to have been sustained by Cora and Gladia Purke when they alleged they were struck by a delivery truck of the company. Attorneys Fred B. Rhodes and Paul B. Cromelin represent the plaintiffs.

## Senate Wants Financial Facts.

A resolution calling upon Secretary McAdoo for a statement of the amount of money refunded as drawback during the fiscal years 1914 and 1915 and the present fiscal year to date, with an estimate of the amount to be paid until the close, was passed by the Senate yesterday. Senator Broussard, who offered the resolution, said the Senate, before considering appropriation bills, should know how much money went out of the Treasury, as well as how much money was likely to come in.

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## PAN-AMERICAN MEMBERS LEAVE FOR WEEK'S TOUR

Delegates to Scientific Congress Will Visit Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston.

One hundred and sixty-nine persons, from Latin-America, who attended the session of the second Pan-American Scientific Congress, started yesterday for a tour of "one week" of the cities on the Atlantic seaboard. The representatives of the southern republics were accompanied by seventeen members of the United States delegation and officials of the congress. The tour being under direction of Secretary General John Barrett and Madden Summers, United States consul at San Paulo, Brazil.

Practically the entire diplomatic contingent from South and Central America, headed by Ambassador Suarez-Mujica, of Chile, and Minister de Gama, of Brazil, and the United States official delegation to the congress, headed by Assistant Secretary of State William Phillips, Judge George Gray, James Browne Scott and Commissioner of Education P. P. Claxton, assembled at the station.

## ASKS U. S. CONTROL OF WIRES.

Maryland Member Would Establish Government Ownership.

Representative David J. Lewis, of Maryland, in a speech in the House yesterday reiterated his arguments for government ownership of the telegraph and telephone systems of the country and all other means of communication. He urged that these agencies be condemned and purchased by the government, and operated as a bureau of the Postoffice Department.

"It costs the American as much to ship his long-distance conversation over the wires, mile for mile, as it costs him to ship a ton of freight over the rails," said Mr. Lewis. "The railroads send, on the average, seven mills a mile for moving a ton of freight. The telephone company charges six mills a mile for carrying a three-minute conversation. Gentlemen, you can realize how weighty their conversations sometimes are. They weigh about a ton on the long-distance wires."

## \$28,000 IN GEMS GONE.

Detectives Seeking U. S. Navy Commander's Jewel Trunk.

San Francisco, Jan. 10.—Jewels valued at \$28,000 belonging to Lieut. Commander William P. Cronan, U. S. N., and said by him to have been stolen from a trunk somewhere between Overbrook, Pa., and San Francisco, are being sought here today by detectives in the employ of the Wells-Fargo Express Company. The trunk was shipped West when Commander Cronan was ordered from Pennsylvania to the Bremerton navy yard, said the Senate, before considering appropriation bills, should know how much money went out of the Treasury, as well as how much money was likely to come in.

## NEW YORK HOTEL ARRIVALS.

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## BRYAN'S BIRTHDAY FOR PEACE RALLY URGED

Miss Poe, of Navy League, Scores Pacifists for Selecting February 22.

Characterizing as "indicrous" the selection of February 22, Washington's birthday, by the Woman's Peace Party as a day for mass meetings against national defense, Miss Elizabeth Elliott Poe, general secretary of the Woman's Peace Party, said last night that an appropriate date for anti-preparedness meetings would be March 19, the birthday of William Jennings Bryan.

## WILSON IS CONSIDERING SPEECHES FOR DEFENSE

President May Take Stump to Crystallize Sentiment in Favor of Preparedness Plan.

President Wilson is preparing to snap the national defense fight. He will take into his own hands very shortly the direction of the campaign for the wisdom of taking the steps which employed in the days when the administration measures were in process of formulation, to pave the way for their passage earlier than has been predicted by some of the Congressmen.

## PRESBYTERIANS PLAN MEET.

Evangelistic Institute Will Be Held in New York Avenue Church.

Two of the most conspicuous figures in American Presbyterianism are in Washington to take part in an evangelistic institute to be held tomorrow and Thursday at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church. The institute is under the auspices of the General Assembly's committee on evangelism and will be under personal direction of Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, moderator of the General Assembly, and Dr. Maitland Alexander, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh, a former moderator.

In addition there will be in attendance noted ministers and laymen from various parts of the country. Many of the visitors have a place on the programs that have been arranged for the four sessions. Services, open to the public, will be held at 2:30 and 7:30 p. m. tomorrow, and at 9 a. m. and 2 p. m. Thursday. Thursday night many of the visiting divines will preside at midweek prayer meetings at different churches.

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## SENATE FACTS MENACE OF WAR

Woman's Peace Party Asks Inquiry to Learn of Country's Status Abroad.

## RE-ELECTS MISS ADDAMS

Prominent Members Will Speak Before Committee of Congress Today Against Preparedness Plan.

Calling for Congress to sanction no increased appropriations for preparedness, but instead to appoint a committee which shall make a thorough investigation of the possibility of war in which this country may take part, and to report on this and other issues at the next session, were features embodied in a resolution offered by Mrs. Jessie H. MacKaye, of this city, and adopted by the Woman's Peace Party, which met in annual session at the Willard Hotel yesterday morning and afternoon.

## MISS ADDAMS RE-ELECTED.

At the annual election of officers these women were chosen: Miss Jane Addams of Chicago, chairman; Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt of New York, honorary chairman; Mrs. Anna Garlin Spencer, of Meadville, Pa.; Mrs. William Lloyd Garrison, of New York; Mrs. L. M. Post of Washington; Mrs. Frederick Tausig, of St. Louis, vice president; Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead, of Boston, secretary; Mrs. William I. Thomas, of Chicago, executive secretary; Miss S. F. Breckinridge, of Chicago, treasurer.

This morning at 10:30 o'clock the members will be present at a hearing before the Foreign Affairs Committee on Appropriations for Preparedness. The speakers will be Miss Jane Addams, Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, Mrs. Anna Garlin Spencer, and Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead, of Boston.

An enthusiastic declaration for world peace was made by Mrs. Addams, who, after a long and arduous journey, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon by hundreds of prominent women, gathered in mass meeting under the auspices of the Woman's Peace Party.

Questions involving national defense, limitation of armaments, and an early peace among the warring nations of Europe were discussed by the speakers.

The word "preparedness" as another form of "teach the boys to kill" was denounced by Mrs. Addams, who, in her discourse on "Organized Opposition to Militarism in Our Own Country," said:

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Maryland Authorities Search for Two Yeggmen Who Robbed Howard County Postoffice.

The two safeblowers who early yesterday wrecked the postoffice at Savage, Md., with dynamite and robbed the safe, conducted their raid on the postal station so cleverly that authorities of Howard County were unable to find a clew leading to their identity, though an all-day investigation was in progress.

The postoffice also is headquarters for the branch of the Laurel National Bank. Large deposits of money generally are kept there over Sunday. It is this fact which leads the county authorities to believe the robbers were familiar with the town and that they were aiming for the vault of the branch bank.

Savage is a few miles northwest of Washington and about halfway between Washington and Baltimore, on the main line between the two cities. The town was awakened before daylight yesterday by three explosions.

William Reiley, a youth of 18, was the first to investigate. He left his home with a revolver in his hand, and approaching the postoffice saw a light in the window. A man was standing outside the building watching. Reiley was only a short distance away, and with the figure outlined against the lighted window he took careful aim and fired.

The robber wheeled slowly, as though struck, and then returned the fire. As he ran down the street a second man ran from the building, both firing. Reiley emptied his revolver at the fleeing men, who leaped into an automobile near the postoffice and escaped.

## TALK BY WIRELESS ACROSS CONTINENT

Message Received by Battleship Off Cape Henry from Admiral Winslow, at Guaymas, Mexico.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels yesterday announced that for the first time a wireless message had been sent across the American continent from a naval vessel in the Pacific.

The experiment was successfully tried about 4:30 o'clock yesterday morning, when the battleship Wyoming, off Cape Henry, Va., exchanged messages with Admiral Cameron McRae, commander-in-chief of the Pacific Fleet, on board the cruiser San Diego in the harbor of Guaymas, on the west coast of Mexico. By air line Guaymas is approximately 2,000 miles from Cape Henry.